

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Revitalisation of Primary Health System – Management of the Fixed-Day Health Services by the District Administration - Orders- Issued.

HEALTH MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (K2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.1636

Dated 04.12.2010

Read the following:-

1. Minutes of the meeting held by Hon'ble Minister for Arogyasri, Dated 21.11.2010 and the Hon'ble Chief Minister dated 29 November 2010.
2. G.O Ms No 46 of Health, Medical and Family Welfare (D1) Dept dated 09.02.2009
3. Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between HMRI and Government of AP dated 20.02.2009

ORDER:

1. The Government has been implementing the Fixed-Day Health Services (FDHS) in the rural areas of the state through the Health Management and Research Institute (HMRI) since 10 February 2009 in accordance with the Memorandum of Agreement executed between the Government and the HMRI. However, the FDHS services have come to a virtual standstill since 9 November 2010, when the HMRI staff operating FDHS struck work following certain differences with the HMRI Management. Efforts made by the Government to facilitate amiable resolution of the dispute have not yielded positive results and the FDHS have remained paralysed for more than three weeks.

2. In these circumstances, the government has decided to resume and operate the fixed-day health services under the direct control and management of the District Collector in order to ensure uninterrupted health services to the people living in rural and tribal areas of the state. Accordingly the Government hereby order that the district Collectors take charge of the fixed-day health services and manage its operations. The District Collector shall take possession of the vehicles and other assets currently under the control of HMRI in their districts and assign responsibility for day-to-day management of these services to the Joint Collector / Additional Joint Collector, who in turn will be supported by the District Medical and Health Officers. The District Medical and Health Officer (DMHO) is instructed to ensure streamlined implementation of FDHS.

3. The District Collector is empowered to conduct the FDH services utilising the services of one or more Auxiliary Nurse Mid-Wife (ANM) in government service who has experience in managing this service under HMRI aegis, duly supported by the Data Entry Operator and the Driver, both of whom shall be hired through outsourcing method strictly on temporary basis until more sustainable alternative arrangements are made. The services of Pharmacist and Laboratory Technician, if required based on need assessment, may also be hired on temporary outsourcing basis, duly following the Government instructions in this regard. To ensure substantial value addition to the fixed-day health services, the MHU shall include the Medical Officer, Public Health Nurse, Community Health Officer (CHO) / MPHEO of the PHC where the health service point is located. The District Collector is hereby authorised to temporarily depute Medical Officers and other staff based on the need and availability of human resources in the PHCs without interruption to the regular services. The Collectors are also requested to harmonise the FDHS with the Community Health and Nutrition Clusters (CHNCs) to secure substantial value addition to the outreach health services.

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4. The MHU will provide comprehensive maternal and child health (MCH) services, treatment of chronic infectious and non-communicable diseases, health education, school health services, health promotion, water quality monitoring, environmental sanitation, and referral of those in need of specialist care to the secondary and tertiary hospitals. The DMHO is authorised to assess the need for medicines and other consumables for all MHUs in the district and obtain the same from APHMHIDC. The Managing Director of APHMHIDC is requested to ensure supply of medicines required for these services.

5. The Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare (CH&FW) will have the overall responsibility and authority for planning, coordination and monitoring of the fixed-day health services. She is requested to coordinate all activities relating to resumption and successful conduct of fixed-day health services in consultation with the District Collectors. The CH&FW is authorised to release Rs 20 lakhs (Rupees Twenty Lakhs) to each of the twenty-two District Health Societies from the funds available with the State Health Society to meet the cost of resumption and operation of fixed-day health services, pending release of grants required for operation of these services by the government. The Commissioner shall establish Management Information Systems (MIS) required for effective monitoring of these services at all operational levels.

6. All concerned are informed that this is a temporary arrangement to tide over the current crisis and a more sustainable arrangement would be ordered in due course.

7. The Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare and the District Collectors shall take further necessary action accordingly. The Chief Executive Officer of HMRI is requested to work in close coordination with the CH&FW and the District Collectors in ensuring smooth resumption of outreach health services.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. P.V. RAMESH
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

All District Collectors

The Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare

All Heads of Department under MH&FW Dept

All District Medical and Health Officers

All Regional Director of Medical and Health Services

All District Coordinators of Hospital Services

Chief Executive Officer of HMRI

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The Chief Secretary to the Government of AP

The Special Chief Secretary to the Chief Minister of AP

The Principal Secretary to the Government of AP, Finance Department

The OSD to the Minister (Medical and Health) Department

The Director of Public Health and Commissioner of APVVP for
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